

Field Management Plan Approval Application PA s61

Approved Form – Petroleum Act 1984

This is the approved form for the purposes of section 61(2)(a) of the [Petroleum Act 1984](#)¹ (Act).

Use this form to apply for approval of a field management plan (FMP) or a revised FMP.

The production of petroleum under a production licence cannot commence until the Minister for Mining and Energy has approved the relevant FMP and rate of recovery (RoR).

The FMP submitted for approval must include prescribed information, refer to regulation 66AAB and Schedule 4C of the [Petroleum Regulations 2020](#)² (Regulations).

You must refer to the [Field Management Plan and Rate of Recovery Content Guideline](#)³ (Guideline) when completing this form.

It is noted that section 6A of the Act establishes that the Minister must also consider and apply the principles of ecologically sustainable development (ESD) when making a decision to approve a plan.

Petroleum interest			
Petroleum interest reference number (EP, RL, L or OL)		Expiry date	
Interest holder			
Where there are multiple interest holders, attach a separate sheet showing below details demonstrating sharing arrangements			
Company/individual name			
ACN / ABN / ARBN		Interest held	%
Business address			
Postal address			
Contact person			
Telephone		Email	

¹ <https://legislation.nt.gov.au/en/Legislation/PETROLEUM-ACT-1984>

² <https://legislation.nt.gov.au/Legislation/PETROLEUM-REGULATIONS-2020>

³ https://nt.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0008/1564919/field-management-plan-and-rate-of-recovery-guideline.pdf

Responsible contact for field management				
Name				
Position title				
Business name				
ACN / ABN / ARBN				
Postal address				
Telephone		Email		
Submitted field management plan				
FMP title				
FMP document number	E.g. Unique identifier for the FMP			
Initial FMP application	Yes	☐	No	☐
For a revised FMP* (select one for application fees)	Medium complexity	☐	Low complexity	☐
*Document revision No.				
*Reason for the revision	E.g. result of 5 year review, review under s61B(2)(b) of the Act (specify appropriate sub clause) or on ministerial direction.			
Attachments				
A Field Management Plan. (Structure must align with Table 2 of the Guideline)				☐
A Rate of Recovery application in the approved form; Approval or Revision Application PA s61 or s61G.				☐
Declaration				
I declare that the information contained in this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing misleading information, or making false representations are offences as per sections 107 and 108 of the <i>Petroleum Act 1984</i>.				
Signature		Date		
Name				
Position held/title				

Fees

There is a flat fee for submitting an initial FMP, when submitting a revised FMP the fee is determined by the complexity of the FMP. Refer to the petroleum operations fees on the [NT Government website](#)⁴. Schedule 1A of the Regulations provides the criteria for the assessment of complexity. There is no additional charge for the accompanying application for approval of a rate of recovery.

Description	Revenue units ⁵
Initial FMP application	34 622
Revision - low complexity – a revised plan with at least 10 years production data; where no significant change to development or management strategy is proposed.	12 354
Revision - medium complexity – a revised plan that is not low complexity.	16 061

An invoice will be raised on acceptance. Invoices are payable by BPAY, credit card (online and phone), direct credit and in person at the Department of Corporate and Digital Development.

How to submit

Submit this form and attachments via email or post to:

petroleum.operations@nt.gov.au

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Further information

Contact Petroleum Operations on 08 8999 6030 or email petroleum.operations@nt.gov.au

⁴ <https://nt.gov.au/industry/energy/petroleum-operations/fees-and-levies>

⁵ Revenue units are determined each financial year by the [Territory Revenue Office](#).

⁶ <https://infocomm.nt.gov.au/privacy/information-privacy-principles>

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